

Federal Response Plan (FRP)



What is the Federal Response Plan?

A signed agreement among 27 Federal departments and agencies, including the American Red Cross, that:

- Provides the mechanism for coordinating delivery of Federal assistance and resources to augment efforts of State and local governments overwhelmed by a major disaster or emergency
- Supports implementation of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 5121, *et seq.*) as well as individual agency statutory authorities
- Supplements other Federal emergency operations plans developed to address specific hazards

When is the FRP Implemented?

- In anticipation of a significant event likely to result in a need for Federal Assistance
- In response to an actual event requiring Federal Assistance under a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or emergency

What Federal Resources Can be Deployed?

- Specialized teams
- Equipment and supplies
- Facilities

What Types of Federal Assistance are Available?

- For immediate relief:
 - Initial response resources
 - Emergency services
- To speed return to normal and reduce damage from future occurrences
 - Loans and grants
 - Technical assistance
 - Other assistance

FRP Purpose

1. Set forth fundamental policies, planning assumptions, a concept of operations, response and recovery actions, and Federal agency responsibilities
2. Describes the array of Federal response, recovery, and mitigation resources available to augment State and local efforts to save lives; protect public health, safety and property; and aid affected individuals and communities in rebuilding after a disaster;
3. Organizes the types of Federal response assistance that a State is most likely to need under 12 Emergency Support Functions (ESFs), each of which has a designated primary agency;

FRP Purpose

4. Describes the process and methodology for implementing and managing Federal recovery and mitigation programs and support/technical services;
5. Addresses linkages to other Federal emergency operations plans developed for specific incidents;
6. Provides a focus for interagency and intergovernmental emergency preparedness, planning, training, exercising, coordination, and information exchange; and
7. Serves as the foundation for the development of detailed supplemental plans and procedures to implement Federal response and recovery activities rapidly and efficiently

Important to Remember...

Throughout the FRP, any reference to a disaster, major disaster, or emergency generally means a presidentially declared major disaster or emergency under the Stafford Act.

FEMA's Role

- FEMA has the lead in developing and maintaining the FRP
- Compendium of Legal Authorities Supporting the Federal Response Plan

Organization of the FRP

- The Basic Plan
- Emergency Support Function Annexes
- Recovery Function Annex
- Support Annexes
- Incident Annexes
- Appendices

Basic Plan

Emergency Support Function Annexes

ESF #1 - Transportation

ESF #2 - Communications

ESF #3 - Public Works and Engineering

ESF #4 - Firefighting

ESF #5 - Information and Planning

ESF #6 - Mass Care

ESF #7 - Resource Support

ESF #8 - Health and Medical Services

ESF #9 - Urban Search and Rescue

ESF #10 - Hazardous Materials

ESF #11 - Food

ESF #12 - Energy

Recovery Function Annex

Support Annexes

Community Relations

Congressional Affairs

Donations Management

Financial Management

Occupational Safety and Health

Public Affairs

Incident Annexes

Terrorism

Appendices

Terms and Definitions

Acronyms and Abbreviations

FRP Changes and Revision

Overview of a Disaster Operation

The Basic Plan

- Presents policies and concept of operations that guide how the Federal Government will assist disaster-stricken State and local governments
- Summarizes Federal planning assumptions, response and recovery actions, and responsibilities

Emergency Support Function Annexes (ESFs)

- Describe the mission, policies, concept of operations, and responsibilities of the primary and support agencies involved in the implementation of key response functions that supplement State and local activities



The 12 ESFs



Transportation
Department of Transportation



Communications
National Communications System



Public Works and Engineering
Department of Defense/U.S. Army Corps of Engineers



Firefighting
Department of Agriculture/Forest Service



Information and Planning
Federal Emergency Management Agency



Mass Care
American Red Cross



Resource Support
General Services Administration



Health and Medical Services
Department of Health and Human Services



Urban Search and Rescue
Federal Emergency Management Agency



Hazardous Materials
Environmental Protection Agency



Food
Department of Agriculture/Food and Nutrition Service



Energy
Department of Energy

ESF Primary/Secondary Support Designation Matrix

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ESF-1 Concept of Operations

- DOT Crisis Coordinator appointed by Secretary
- OET director activates Headquarters ESF-1 Organization and the DOT CMC
- RETCO/RETREP provide direction of the ESF-1 Mission at the disaster area
- Delegation of RETCO/RETREP Functions
 - DOT Regions 1, 2, 9, 10 (USCG)
 - DOT Regions 3, 4, 6, AK (FAA)
 - DOT Regions 5, 7, 8 (FHWA)

ESF-1 Concept of Operations (cont.)

- Establishment of priority attention areas by Headquarters and the Region
- Use of GSA standing schedules to secure transportation support resources and services
- Maintain surveillance over the availability of Federal and civil transportation capacity
- Continuing RETCO/RETREP responsibilities

DOT's Responsibilities in ESF-1

- Coordinating the provision of Federal and civil transportation capacity
- Providing staffing and managing the MCC(s)
- Manage financial aspects of the ESF-1 response
- Supervise the assessment of damage to the transportation infrastructure and the analysis of the impact of the disaster on transportation operations

DOT's Responsibilities in ESF-1 (cont.)

- Coordinate and implement emergency-related response and recovery functions performed under DOT statutory authorities
- Provide technical assistance to government entities in determining the most viable transportation networks
- Identify resource requirements for transportation and coordinate allocation

FHWA Support of ESF-1 Activities

- Damage Assessments
- Traffic Monitoring
- Impact Analysis
- Infrastructure Recovery Support
- Emergency Communications
- Evacuation Coordination
- Vehicle Permits
- Managerial/Administrative Services

ESF-1 Secondary Support Agencies

- Department of Agriculture, Forest Service
- Department of Defense
- Department of State
- Department of Treasury, U.S. Customs Service
- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- General Services Administration
- Tennessee Valley Authority
- U.S. Postal Service

Recovery Function Annex

- Describes the policies, planning considerations, and concept of operations that guide the provision of assistance to help disaster victims and affected communities return to normal and minimize the risk of future damage.
- Assistance is categorized by delivery system

Support Annexes

- Describe the mission, policies, and concept of operations of related activities required to conduct overall Federal disaster operations
- Includes:
 - Community Relations
 - Congressional Affairs
 - Donations Management
 - Financial Management
 - Logistics Management
 - Occupational Safety and Health
 - Public Affairs

Incident Annexes

- Describe the mission, policies, concept of operations, and responsibilities in those specific events that require a unified response under the FRP and one or more other Federal plans that implement authorities and functions outside the scope of the Stafford Act
- Includes the Terrorism Incident Annex

Appendices

- Cover other relevant information, including terms and definitions, acronyms and abbreviations, guidelines for FRP changes and revision, and overview of a disaster operation

For More Information...

- Obtain a copy of the Federal Response Plan
 - Available through download from the FEMA website <http://www.fema.gov/rrr/frp/>
- Remember to continuously check for revisions and updates